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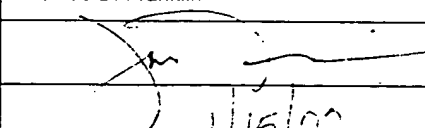
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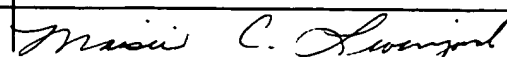
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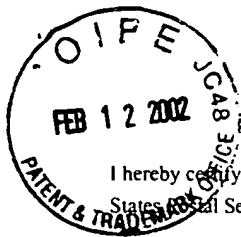
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With reference to Fig. 4A, a block diagram of an embodiment of a content exchange portion 116 of the content distribution system 100 is shown. The content exchange 116 caches content objects requested by client computers 112 under the control of the content manager 312. Included in the content exchange 116 are a tracking system 402, and a content node 406. The tracking system includes a content tracker 404, a health check 426, status information 420, a local content catalog 416, and an origin server

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